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In compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant wishes to bring the following items to the attention of the Examiner. A copy of each document is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

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that the items listed below are properly citable against the above-identified application.

The following document is cited in the specification of the above-identified patent application:

- (1) Miyatake et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,241,575,  
issued August 31, 1993.

Applicant also wishes to bring the following documents to the attention of the Examiner:

- (2) Takada, et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,973,833,  
issued November 27, 1990; and
- (3) Nakamura et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,289,286,  
issued February 22, 1994;


Applicant considers the invention to be distinguishable over the above-cited documents.

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